

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0358

Title: Certification of problem gambling counselors;
gambling prevention and state plan

Primary Sponsor: Juneau, C

Status: As Introduced - Revised

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Date

David Ewer, Budget Director

Date

Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
Expenditures:		
General Fund	\$718,260	\$492,308
State Special Revenue	\$15,290	\$2,400
Revenue:		
State Special Revenue	\$20,000	\$3,750
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	(\$718,260)	(\$492,308)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov. Impact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 |

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Public Health and Human Services

1. This bill requires the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) to develop a statewide pathological gambling and problem gambling prevention and treatment program.
2. Section 3 requires that DPHHS a) conduct an initial needs assessment to develop a baseline of treatment needs; b) develop a quality management plan based on the needs assessment; c) develop a statewide data management system; d) provide technical assistance in order to develop an outcome-based system that coordinates services; and e) develop a continuum of care strategic plan for services to address the areas of need identified in the needs assessment.
3. Although the effective date is October 1, 2005, it is assumed that DPHHS will begin to work toward implementation of the provisions in this bill on July 1, 2005.
4. It is assumed that DPHHS will contract for services to evaluate the needs assessment and provide updates, develop a data management system, and for technical assistance necessary for the maintenance of the data management system. It is estimated the total contracted services cost to DPHHS as a result of this bill will be \$600,000 in FY 2006 and \$400,000 in FY 2007.
 - a. Needs assessment and updates - \$200,000 each year of the biennium

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- b. Data management system development - \$300,000 in FY 2006 and \$100,000 in FY 2007
- c. Training and technical assistance to providers - \$100,000 each year of the biennium
- 5. It is estimated administrative operational costs will be \$118,260 in FY 2006 and \$92,308 in FY 2007. These administrative operational costs include a 2.00 FTE grade 16 program manager to develop a quality management plan at a salary of \$45,404 per FTE for both years of the biennium; \$3,726 in operating expenses (including the new employee office and computer equipment packages) in FY 2006 and \$750 per FTE in FY 2007; and \$20,000 in operational costs in FY 2006 for rules and regulations development.
- 6. It is assumed these costs will be paid with 100 percent general funds.
- 7. It is assumed there are no trained gambling counselors in the state of Montana.
- 8. It is assumed there is no clinical infrastructure to develop trained gambling counselors in the state of Montana.
- 9. It is assumed there is no funding reimbursement available from public or private health insurance plans because gambling addiction is not considered a medical problem.
- 10. Gambling addiction treatment services would be implemented after fiscal year 2007.

Department of Labor and Industry

- 11. This bill provides for certification of problem gambling counselors. It essentially creates two “classes” of counselors. “Class one” must complete 300 hours of gambling-related education and training and 60 hours of gambling-specific education or training. “Class two” consists of professionals listed in Section 53-21-102, MCA, who must complete 60 hours of gambling-specific education and training.
- 12. The department estimates it would certify 150 “class one” individuals and 500 “class two” individuals each year of the 2007 biennium.
- 13. The department would adopt administrative rules associated with this bill at a cost of approximately \$12,890 in FY 2006. The cost consists of 30 MAR pages at \$1,200 (30 X \$40 = \$1,200), printing and mailing costs to 8,500 interested persons at \$11,390 (\$1.34 X 8,500), and long distance telephone charges of \$300.
- 14. The department estimates it will cost approximately \$400 each year for application and renewal printing costs, website updating and development, and database updating associated with certifications associated with this bill.
- 15. The department will incur approximately \$2,000 travel expenses annually associated with staff travel to the National Council on Problem Gambling Association conference.
- 16. The department would charge \$50 initial application fee to class one applicants, and \$25 initial application fee for class two applicants. It would charge \$25 renewal fee each subsequent year to class one individuals, and no renewal fee to class two individuals. Based upon the estimated number of class one and class two certifications, the department estimates it would receive \$20,000 in revenue in FY 2006 (150 X \$50 + 500 X \$25), and \$3,750 in FY 2007 (150 X \$25).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Department of Public Health and Human Services

	FY 2006 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2007 <u>Difference</u>
FTE	2.00	2.00
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Personal Services	\$90,808	\$90,808
Operating Expenses	<u>\$627,452</u>	<u>\$401,500</u>
TOTAL	\$718,260	\$492,308

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Funding of Expenditures:

General Fund (01)	\$718,260	\$492,308
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	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
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Expenditures:

Operating Expenses	\$15,290	\$2,400
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Funding of Expenditures:

State Special Revenue (02)	\$15,290	\$2,400
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Revenues:

State Special Revenue (02)	\$20,000	\$3,750
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Total Impact Statewide

	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
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Expenditures:

Personal Services	\$90,808	\$90,808
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Operating Expenses	<u>\$642,742</u>	<u>\$403,900</u>
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TOTAL	\$733,550	\$494,708
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Funding of Expenditures:

General Fund (01)	\$718,260	\$492,308
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State Special Revenue (02)	<u>\$15,290</u>	<u>\$2,400</u>
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TOTAL	\$733,550	\$494,708
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Revenues:

State Special Revenue (02)	\$20,000	\$3,750
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Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):

General Fund (01)	(\$718,260)	(\$492,308)
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State Special Revenue (02)	\$4,710	\$1,350
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TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. To remain consistent with standardized language used throughout Title 37, the words "certification", "certified", and "certificate" could be changed to "licensed" and "license".
2. Because no effective date is contained in the bill, the effective date is October 1, 2005.